

Julie Masters, Mayor  
Mark Townsend  
Kerry Neves  
Mary Dunbaugh

**MINUTES**  
City of Dickinson  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

Charles Suderman  
Louis Decker, Mayor Pro Tem  
William H. King III  
Mike Clawson, City Administrator

**July 25, 2006**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council for the City of Dickinson, County of Galveston, State of Texas was held **TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2006**, at 7:00 p.m. at Dickinson's City Hall, 2716 FM 517 East, Dickinson, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following numbered items.

**ITEM 1.) CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM**

Mayor Julie Masters called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. City Secretary Rena Hardage called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Charles Suderman, Mary Dunbaugh, Mark Townsend, Kerry Neves, and Louis Decker. City Attorney Scott Bounds was present along with Interim City Administrator Michael Clawson and Street Superintendent Kellis George.

**ITEM 2.) PROCLAMATIONS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Congratulations were given to Chaplain Nelda Harles, of DIRECT, and Councilman King who completed their Master's Certification in Chaplaining at the International Conference of Police Chaplains.

Greater New Hope Baptist Church is hosting the American Baptist General Convention of Texas Congress and State Youth Convention, July 24 – 27, 2006.

The North Galveston County Chamber of Commerce is hosting the "Politically Incorrect Dinner" on August 4<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds will be used for scholarships for the Clear Creek and Dickinson Independent School Districts.

National Night Out in the City of Dickinson will begin at 6 p.m. on August 1<sup>st</sup>. A reminder was given that on July 27<sup>th</sup> Keep Dickinson Beautiful will host the "Hot Time in the Old Town," fundraiser at the Harbour Play House.

Compliments were given to Mayor Masters for being honored as one of College of the Mainland Foundation's Mainland Heroes at a reception at College of the Mainland on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

Budget workshops have tentatively been set for August 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Mayor will attend a meeting on August 11<sup>th</sup> with State Representative Larry Taylor to discuss issues facing the city.

Council encouraged the youth in Dickinson to get involved with the Library's Summer Reading Program – were they could possibly win a trip to the World Series.

Council thanked City Administrator, Mike Clawson, for the Staff Report that he had added to the Council packet.

**ITEM 3.) STAFF REPORT**

**ITEM 4.) PUBLIC COMMENTS:** At this time, any person with city-related business may speak to the Council. In compliance with the Texas Open meetings Act, the City Council may not deliberate.

Ken Armstrong, who resides at 5205 Calvert Lane in Dickinson, spoke regarding his concern of a “no wake zone” ordinance on Dickinson Bayou. Mayor Masters informed him that the information he received was untrue and the committee working on the eco-tourism project was a small committee and that they, nor Keep Dickinson Beautiful, nor the City has discussed or considered such an action.

Paul Robinson, who resides at 4600 Country Club Drive, stated that he also was concerned about the rumor of a “no wake zone.” He stated that he felt there was room for everyone to enjoy the Bayou as it is now.

**ITEM 5.) CONSENT AGENDA: CONSIDERATION POSSIBLE ACTION:**

The following items are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion on these items unless a Council member requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and discussed after the consent agenda.

A.) Approval of July 11, 2006, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilman Suderman made the motion to approve the July 11, 2006 Minutes. Councilwoman Dunbaugh seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 6.) DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Approval of Ordinance No. 591-2006 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS AMENDING THE CITY OF DICKINSON PERSONNEL POLICY (2005) BY MAKING PROVISIONS RELATED TO EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION PAY RELATED TO EDUCATION ASSISTANCE TO FULL TIME EMPLOYEES.

**ITEM 7.) DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Approval of the appointment Jeff Adams to serve as an alternate on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Councilman Townsend made the motion to approve the appointment of Jeff Adams to serve as an alternate on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilman King seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 8.) DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Approval of Commissioner's Court Nominees to United Board of Health.

Councilman Townsend made the motion to approve the nominees. Councilman Decker seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 9.) EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The City Council will now hold a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provision of Chapter 551, Government code, Vernon's Texas Codes annotated, in accordance with the authority contained in:

A.) Section 551.071, - Private consultation with attorney. Discuss legal issues related to collective bargaining with Dickinson Police Officer's Association.

B.) Section 551.074, - Deliberation regarding real property purchases.

Mayor Masters adjourned the meeting into Executive Session at 7:18 p.m.

**ITEM 10.) RECONVENE:** Mayor Masters reconvened into the Regular Council Session at 7:52 p.m.

**ITEM 11.) DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Approval of a contract to purchase real property at 2800 44<sup>th</sup> Street adjacent to the City Hall Complex.

Councilman Suderman made the motion to approve the contract to purchase real property at 2800 44<sup>th</sup> Street adjacent to the City Hall Complex in the amount of \$42,000. Councilwoman Dunbaugh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Suderman, Dunbaugh, Neves, Decker and King

**NOES:** Townsend

**MOTION PASSED**

**ITEM 12.) ADJOURN** – Councilman Townsend made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Suderman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Passed, approved and adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of August 2006.

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Louis Decker, Mayor – Pro Tem

ATTESTED:

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Rena Hardage, City Secretary

